



PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

Kouji SHIRAHASHI et al.

Group Art Unit: 1754

Application No.: 09/699,373

Examiner: Timothy C. Vanoy

Filed: October 31, 2000

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For: PROCESS FOR DESULFURIZATION OF EXHAUST GAS WITH SEAWATER

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Date: April 16, 2003

Sir:

Applicant(s) petition for an extension of time for three months for response to the outstanding Office Action dated October 16, 2002 from January 16, 2003 to April 16, 2003.

Please find attached a check in the amount of \$465.00 to cover the fee for extension discussed above. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiency or credit any overpayment associated with this communication to Deposit Account No. 01-2300.

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